

Male Voice: The book was thrown at Teamster President Jimmy Hoffa today in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Federal judge Frank Wilson gave Hoffa eight years in prison and fined him \$10,000 to boot on trying to fix a jury in the 1962 conspiracy trial. Three co-defendants each were sentenced to three years in prison. A New York lawyer, Jacques Schiffer, who represented one of the co-defendants, was cited for criminal contempt. He was fined \$1,000 and given 60 days in jail. Before sentencing. Hoffa told the judge, I'm an innocent man. However, the judge declared he believed that the jury's verdict was clearly supported by the evidence. Hoffa and his co-defendants are appealing. The Teamster president maintained throughout that he didn't receive a fair trial, as in this statement he made during the past few days.

James R. Hoffa: I have not received a fair trial in a courtroom. The government has hid evidence. The court has consistently refused to allow us to submit our witnesses to the jury. 60% of the evidence would have been outside of the scope of the jury. And I say you have no right in American justice to preclude from the mind of those 12 people sitting there, the totality of their case, not what somebody wants to hear, but the totality of it.

Male Voice: Jimmy remains for the time being as president of his giant union. One official said today, if Hoffa actually goes off to jail, then there will have to be a change, obviously. Hoffa became president of the Teamsters after former President Dave Beck went to jail for income tax evasion.